

CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING
PASTORAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING

February 26, 2024

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Father Morris. Those present were Mike Bosworth, Candy Costa, Christine Shephard, Jim O’Leary, Matt Silva, Andy Taylor, Rita Selby, Steve Kenney, Jim McLellan and Walter Richardson.

Father Morris advised the committee that Joe Dias has been hired to perform maintenance at Christ the King Church and St Anthony Church. Joe is already involved in several maintenance projects and is very proactive. He is looking into repairs of the pillars at Christ the King Church and will be making a recommendation as to a course of action. Also he has been checking the rectory once a week and so far there is no sign of entry.

Father Morris also noted that there is a new doorbell installed at the parish center which permits Debbie from the church office and Matt from upstairs to see who is at the door which can now be unlocked remotely. The new security cameras have been installed and are in service. There are six cameras on the church building and two on the parish center.

Father Morris reported that the Catholic Charity Appeal is going well and so far Christ the King Church is at 25% of its goal.

The schedule for lent was announced by Father Morris. Stations of the Cross will rotate between Christ the King Church and St Anthony Church. There will be a parish mission at 6 pm on March 10th (Christ the King) March 11th (St Anthony) and March 12th (Christ the King). For Holy week Palm Sunday will be at the usual Mass times. Services for Holy Thursday will be 5 pm (Christ the King) and 7pm (St Anthony). For Good Friday there will be Stations of the Cross at 3pm at Christ the King and a Good Friday service at St Anthony. The Easter Vigil will be at St Anthony Church. Easter Sunday services will be at the usual Mass times. Steve Kenny inquired about the times for the Stations of the Cross. Matt Silva responded that at a staff meeting the 6 pm time would be in effect which is consistent with the holy hour times. Father Morris noted that next year the parish advisors would be consulted in advance of setting up the schedule.

Mike Bosworth initiated a discussion about the May Breakfast. Andy Taylor noted that due to business closings we had lost some major donors. Matt Silva suggested that it would be detrimental to the church if we did not attempt to continue with the May breakfast. Candy Costa suggested that a committee be formed so that all of the organizing work does not fall on one

person. A committee meeting was suggested for March 12th at 7 pm. The proposed date for the May breakfast would be May 5th from 7:30-11 a.m.

Andy Taylor inquired about the use of Missalettes and about changing some of the music. Christine Shephard inquired about when the church would be available to decorate for Easter. Father Morris advised that anytime on Saturday would be fine.

Rita Selby reported that Grandma's Attic is doing well and that 368 customers had been served from 11/11/2023- 2/24/2024. Income was \$3268.33. Starting on March 6th Grandma's Attic will be open on Wednesdays form 9-11 a.m. on a trial basis.

Jim McLellan reported that the scout troop is still going with 25 boys and 7 girls. The difficulty that they are experiencing is that some scouts are aging out and the Cub Scout pack is not large enough to support the Boy Scout troop. This April recruiting will take place.

Matt Silva advised the committee that a family night will be held on March 2nd at Christ the King Church. There will not be a dinner but there will be the children's choir and participants will receive a take home bag. Matt noted that per instructions from Bishop Henning the confirmation age will be lowered to start with 8th grade students whereas in the past it had been 10th grade. We may start with the 9th grade at first with a summer component. Matt said that all voices had been listened to for this process.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.